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Citizens Clean Elections Commission applauds House passage of HB2121

PHOENIX (February 4, 2016) — The Citizens Clean Elections Commission (CCEC) applauds the Arizona House of Representatives passage of HB2121. The measure, which passed on a bipartisan 56 to 0 vote, will help voters obtain more information on the judges, and other officials as well as issues that are on their ballot.

"Voter education is an important part of Clean Elections and a high priority for the Commission," said Mitch Laird, chairman of the Commission. The measure includes provisions that provide critical information that ensure voters have the tools they need to be informed participants in elections. "Voters want unbiased, reliable information when they go to the polls. That's what Clean Elections does."

The measure was sponsored by Representative Warren Petersen, R-Gilbert.

"Representative Petersen has worked on this issue with the Commission for the past two sessions. His commitment to ensuring voters are learning more about judicial elections and their role in the process warrants a special thank you," Laird said.

About Citizens Clean Elections Commission

The Citizens Clean Elections Act was passed by voters in 1998 to promote participation in the political process and to ensure Arizona's politics are free from corruption. The act includes administration of voter education and campaign finance programs. The commission is an independent state body made up of individuals who have sworn to faithfully administer the Clean Elections Act. Commissioners are appointed alternatively by the governor and the highest ranking official of the opposite party. Commissioners must not have served in, or run for, public office for five years, nor have been an officer of a political party. No more than two members of the commission may be from any one party or county.

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